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In re application of)	Examiner: J. DEBROW
R. UNDASAN)	
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Serial No.: 10/507,341)	
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DOCUMENTS ON A	,)	
COMPUTER SYSTEM)	
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Date of Last Office Action:)	
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GB020020 / PKRX 2 00023	.)	May 18, 2007

37 CFR 1.181 PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF PREMATURE FINALITY

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The applicants hereby petition for withdrawal of the finality of the Office Action of March 6, 2007.

In the claims, as filed, claim 6 depended from independent claim 1 and read as follows:

6. (Original) A method according to claims 1 or 2 wherein a hyperlink is indicated to the computer system by positioning a pointer over the hyperlink.

After a first Office Action on the mérits, the applicants amended claim 1 by moving the limitation of claim 6, substantially verbatim, into claim 1, i.e.:

(Amended) A method for previewing documents on a computer system comprising the steps of:

displaying a main document which contains a first hypertink;

and in response to an indication of the first hyperlink being received by the computer system, displaying a first preview document which document being that referred to by the first hyperlink whilst retaining a display of the main document, so that the document referred to by the first hyperlink may be previewed,

wherein the first hyperlink is indicated to the computer system by positioning a pointer over the hyperlink.

That is, the applicant effectively placed claim 6 in independent form while introducing no substantive amendments. The new ground of rejection against claim 1 set forth by the Examiner in the March 6, 2007 Office Action was not necessitated by the applicant's amendment of December 8, 2006. Rather, it is submitted that the new ground of rejection was necessitated because, contrary to MPEP 706.07, the Examiner did not thoroughly search the invention as disclosed and claimed and apply the references fully.

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Accordingly, it is submitted that the finality of the March 6, 2007 Office Action is premature and must be withdrawn. An early decision directing withdrawal of the finality of the March 6, 2007 Office Action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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